HCS HB 252 -- TAMPERING WITH A JUDICIAL OFFICER

SPONSOR: Byrd

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Judiciary by a vote of 18 to 0.

This substitute expands the crime of tampering with a judicial officer to add family court commissioners, drug court commissioners, juvenile court officers, mediators and guardians ad litem appointed by a court to the definition of "judicial officers."

FISCAL NOTE: Not available at time of printing.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that expanding the definition of "judicial officer" for the crime of tampering with a judicial officer is necessary to protect those who work in and for the courts.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Shoemaker (8).

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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